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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Riemma	)	Examiner: Swiatek, Robert P.
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Application No.: 10/615,577	)	Art Unit: 3643
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Filed: 07/08/2003	)	Conf No: 8993
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For: AQUARIUM WATER CHANGING AND	)	
WATER STABILIZATION SYSTEM	)	

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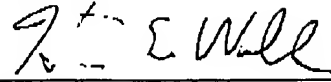
**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated February 12, 2004, Applicant provisionally elects Group I, drawn to claim 1, with traverse.

It is respectfully submitted that the subject matter of all groups is sufficiently related that a thorough search for the subject matter of any one of the groups would encompass a search for the subject matter of the remaining groups. Thus, it is respectfully submitted that the search and examination of the entire application could be made without serious burden. See MPEP §803, in which it is stated that "if the search and examination of the entire application can be made without serious burden, the Examiner must examine it on the merits" (emphasis added). Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the Restriction Requirement.

Respectfully submitted,



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